They Are the Only Other Pair He Has, and Lewis Is Going to Get Them, if It Takes a Writ of Replevin to Do It.

aman with the face of Dore's Don Quixote. with short legs, a top coat and no armor seve a celluloid collar, spent five hours of his leisure yesterday in the Jefferson Market police court. He said he was Edwin Lewis, great-grandson, your Honor," he told the Magistrate, "of Francis Lewis of the Island of Manhattan, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America."

Lewis had come to court to accuse his landlady, Mrs. Jessie Parkin of 86 Grove street, of converting his trunk. Mrs. Parkin admitted that she held the trunk, but declared that she did so because Lewis owed her three weeks rent.

"I took him in," she explained, "because his daughter-in-law had turned him out, and because I wanted to accommodate his

"My namesake, sir, Edwin Lewis," interrupted Lewis, by way of explanation. "He the manager of a private express company and keeper of teamsters' accounts. I can draw upon him for all required funds. "Twenty-four weeks ago," he continued,
"I entered into an agreement whereby I was to obtain a room of this lady at \$1.50, United States currency, a week."

"What is your business?" asked Magistrate Moss. "I am a translator of all languages, your Honor, a man of influence, a political man,

Henor, a man of influence, a political man, and incidentally an insurance agent."

"Anything else?" queried the Magistrate.

"No sir. I'm a business man awaiting a pernanency." Lewis said he was not a lawyer, when the Magistrate asked him. Mrs. Parkin, he said, had induced him to honor her residence with his presence by the petty subterfuge of taking out a \$3 insurance policy. She had upset his business system, he declared, by failure to present her account for rent in writing.

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"I'm sure I don't know or care!" said the temporary custodian of the trunk.
Lewis knew. He paused till the court room was quiet.
"My only other pantaloons!" came the solemn words, and then, like an echo: "My

Magistrate Moss could not conceal the effect produced in his mind by the revela-

You are a good, kind woman," he urged, 'You are a good, kind woman," he urged, turning to Mrs. Parkin, "and you had better, out of the kindness of your heart, return to this gentleman his pantaloons and his stockings. He is a man of all kinds of business, and you will save yourself much annoyance if you do."

Mrs. Parkin said that she was willing. Outside the court room she thought it over Mrs. Parkin said that she was willing. Outside the court room she thought it over and told Lewis that man and trunk must go together. No sooner did he hear this verdict than he ran back into the court

"How about my pantaloons?" he cried.
"What in blazes do I know about your pantaloons?" said the unsympathetic policeman who stopped him.

Lewis went away. In the afternoon he returned to the charge. For two hours he sat on the front bench till the Magistrate caught sight of him. Finally he was rewarded.

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"What's the matter now?" asked the Magistrate.

"Your Honor," began Lewis, "at the suggestion of your bailiffs I returned to the house, where I found my door locked. With unseemly facetiousness, the lady said that she would see that I got my pantaloons if it took half of two pair to furnish them. She is a shrewd woman, sir, and her husband is the deus ex machina."

"Well, that being the case, what can I do for you?" asked the Magistrate doubtfully.

"I am not positive as to the name of the instrument required," said Lewis, "but only force can avail. I think a posse comitatus or a subpona duces tecum—"

"Hold on, my good man," cried the Magistrate. "you said you were not a lawyer. I have been uneasy about that point all day. Your speech betrayeth you. You know as well as I what you need. It is a writ of replevin or a summons for conversion."

"That had escaped my memory, and it is ed my memory, and it is

"That had escaped my memory, and it is strange too, for I usually carry my head about with me," admitted Lewis, somewhat crestfallen. The lines in his lean face deepened and he walked slowly out of the court room sharpening his lance of Latin phrase to do battle with the enemies of his DEPEW AT A COUNTY FAIR.

He Talks to Wayne County Farmers on the Growth of the Country.

LYONS, N. Y., Sept. 16 .- United States Senator Chauncey M. Depew addressed 10,000 persons at the Wayne County Agricultural Fair this afternoon. He arrived with his wife at noon, and was entertained by Supreme Court Justice Dunwell. He reviewed the fire department this afternoon and spoke for an hour, studiously refraining from touching on political issues. He touched upon the phenomenal growth of the country since 1870, which he said was due to the "extirpation of slavery, the reunion of the States and to matters not to be discussed at agricultural fairs." A vast array of information was given, comparing railway mileage and rates of transportation in the United States and England. He said that the United States commanded attention abroad on account of its manufacturing products, while in reality the growth had been more remarkable in agricultural products. ural products.

An elaborate exposition was given of the an elaborate exposition was given of the country in farm products, areas under cultivation, methods of agriculture and increase in the value of farm produce as compared with foreign countries. He described and denounced gambling in farm products, which was not stimulating the growth of railroad building, but resulted in the increase of the productions resulted in the increase of the productions of Europe, Russia, India and Egypt. This started adverse competition with American farmers. He favored good roads legislation and advocated a constitutional amendment permitting the State to bond for fifty years for good roads, to be financed by the State, and sinking funds divided between State, counties and towns, according to the legislation of 1898.

egislation of 1898.

Senator Depew and wife left for Canandaigua, where they will be the guests of State Senator John Raines. Mr. Depew will speak to-morrow at the Ontario County

SAYS HE'S A REAL COUNT.

Gerhardt von Progen, Enlisted Man,

Pleads Gullty of Attempted Forgery. Count Gerhardt von Progen was arraigned before Judge Aspinall in the County Court, Brooklyn, yesterday, for forgery and grand larceny in the second degree. He was arrested at the Brighton Beach Hotel several weeks ago. The Count was an enlisted man and was doing duty on Governors Island. He managed to get hold of a number of signed checks from the paymaster's department and then disappeared from the island. He next showed up at Brighton Beach and entertained the chorus

each day and occasionally appeared in the dress of a lieutenant.

The Count pleaded guilty of attempted forgery, and Judge Aspinall asked him if he was a real Count. He replied that he was, and he was then committed to jail to await sentence. to await sentence.

girls. He wore four different suits of clothes

Son Born to Col. George R. Dyer. Mrs. George R. Dyer, wife of Col. Dyer of the Twelfth Regiment, gave birth to a boy on Thursday night at the Dyer's country place, Wickford, N. J. This is the second son born to the Colonel. LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

New York swallowed up the big bankers convention just as it swallows up every other gathering that assembles here. Except that they may read about their doings in the papers, nobody in the city not personally interested seems to know that 4,000 delegates of an association representing upward of two billion dollars is having a reunion here. In all other citieslarge cities, too-the bankers when they gathered as they have here filled the public eye, their numbers and influence were all pervading, and they, figuratively speaking, "owned the town." Here they are lost to sight. Barring a few hotels where they

make their headquarters, their presence is not noticed or thought of,
"It would be just the same," said a visitor, "if you had a world's fair here, like the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis. It would be submerged and swallowed up like a drop of water in the ocean. New York's digestive capacity; in the mat-New York's digestive capacity in the mat-ter of big crowds and big local events is beyond that of any other city in the coun-

"There's a specimen of the way we have got to doing things in New York," said a merchant yesterday whose store is under the Astor House. "About ten days ago a gang of men came and ripped out all the curbstones on the west side of Broadway between Barclay and Vesey streets. They ripped out also several feet of paving, making a great trench close up to the sidewalk. When they had got that done they dumped

a string of new curbstones all along the trench, the whole making as fine a pit to trench, the whole making as fine a pit to break a leg in and as nasty a heap to scale as the mind even of a New York street excavator could wish.

"And when they had got this all done to their taste they went off and left the job. Days have come and days have gone, but the chaos remains untouched. Hundreds of people scramble and tumble over it every day, and there is not an indication in sight that it is not going to remain as it is all

that it is not going to remain as it is all They were discussing forms of alcoholic enthusiam when the consistent drinker announced that he could stand anything in that line except the noisy jag.

"In other words," said the occasional butter in, "you don't object to the cup that cheers, but you do to the cup that

Wednesday night was a disastrous time for the small fry fire adjusters. They make it their custom to hang out near fire stations in the evening and when an alarm rings in to hustle to the fire. Wednesday's downto hustle to the fire. Wednesday's downpour played havoc with the fire alarm
wires, and every few minutes some unintelligible number would be sounded. The
fire adjusters would rush to a pay station
telephone and call up Police Headquarters
or the reporters on duty there, only to learn
that there was no fire, until they had about
exhausted their available funds. Then
they became overcautious, with the result
that some real fires late in the evening
burned cheerfully without the benefit of the
adjusters' presence.

He was only a small newsboy, but they called him "Lightning Jimmy" because he always reached Forty-second street with his morning papers before anybody else. He was there first yesterday morning, hopping on and off the cross-town cars to serve his customers. A patron signalled him from the street corner and he tried to drop off while the car was moving rapidly. He would have made it had not a slippery step sent his feet under the wheel.

step sent his feet under the wheel.

A cry of pain told to the spectators that he had been hurt, but he hobbled to the corner and handed over a paper to the waiting customer. Then he sat on the curb and looked at his foot. "Gee, I've lost two of me toes, all right!" he said.

Then a policeman sent Jimmy and his papers to the hospital. When the crowd saw him last he was gritting his teeth and looking at his feet as he sat in the ambulance.

Few realize what an extensive collection is being acquired by the New York Botanical Garden. In the months of July and August there were added to the museum and herbarium nearly 4,000 specimens from the

barium nearly 4,000 specimens from the Philippine Islands. The Bureau of Public Laboratories in Manila also sent 1,055 specimens from Java. Many thousands of specimens have come from Florida and the Bahamas, and among other interesting plants are 240 from the Arctic regions.

The appropriation of \$75,000 recently voted by the Board of Estimate for construction work in the garden will be spent for the most part in laying out new drives and walks. There is a peculiar affectation observable among some of the young tenderfeet who go West for a time and then return here. For

few months after getting back to the East they never sit down in a room except in a chair that is facing the door. This excites the curiosity of their fair friends, who are enlightened on the subject of the dangers of the West and the necessity of always being in a position to get the drop on an adversary. It is not that he expects an armed Sheriff or cowboy to enter the drawing room, but force of habit makes him do it, the tenderfoot explains.

A hansom cab driver whose stand is near Madison Square does not idle away his time after the manner of his fellows while waitafter the manner of his fellows while waiting for a fare. After polishing his cab with chamois until it shines again he takes a whisk broom and dusts his horse from stem to stern. The horse seems to enjoy the process and looks around with a kindly eye while he is being scrupulously gone over by the man with the broom. The cabman then devotes his attention to the harness, which he keeps as speckless as the rest of the turnout. As a result his cab is usually the first one selected by women who wish to go shopping or driving. go shopping or driving.

THIEF COULDN'T SCARE HER. Mrs. Booth Had Caught Him in Her Flat, and Chased Him Despite Threat.

Mrs. Catherine Booth of 2119 Eighth avenue chased a burglar yesterday afternoon from her residence to 114th street on a bench in the park and went to and Seventh avenue, where he was caught sleep. John Phillips of 12 Sixth avenue, a by Policeman McByrne of the West 125th street station. The burglar said he was Walter Sommers, 30 years old, and that he had no home. He had a bunch of skeleton keys in his pockets, two "jimmies" and a lot of jewelry. The police say that he is an old hand at the business.

an old hand at the business.

Mrs. Booth lives on the second floor of the flathouse at 2119 Eighth avenue, with a married daughter. Mrs. Nellie Fisk, and her six-year-old daughter Clara. They were at work in the kitchen when the thief got in through the front door with a skeleton key. Mrs. Fisk had occasion to go into the front room for something, when she saw a bundle of clothes on the bed. She looked around and saw the burglar hiding behind a closet door. She ran to the kitchen, screaming for help.

The thief ran out into the hallway, where he was met by Mrs. Booth, who wanted to know what he was doing in her rooms. The man told her to keep away from him or he would knock her head off.

He darted down the stairs, with Mrs. Booth after him, and ran down Eighth avenue to 114th street, where he turned east. The woman kept velling "Stop thief!" and was close at his heels. He put his hand to his hip pocket as if to draw a revolver, which made the men in the crowd dart into doorways and cellars, but Mrs. Booth kept right on, yelling "You needn't think that you can scare me."

At the corner of Seventh avenue the thief ran into the arms of Policeman McByrne, who had been called from another street by a citizen who had heard of the excitement. Mrs. Booth was so overcome from the chase that she collapsed and had to be revived before she could go home. The thief was taken back to the house and identified by Mrs. Fisk as the man she had seen in the house. Some of the jewelry found in his pockets belonged to her. Mrs. Booth lives on the second floor of

MARVELS OF THE FAITH CURE.

TESTIMONY THAT RIVALS THAT OF THE PATENT MEDICINES.

Love for Progressive Euchre and Fiddling Is Overcome — One Who Couldn't "Remember to Set the Dishes on the Table" Relieved of Four Allments.

The Faith Curists are holding their annual meeting in the Church of the First Born in Jersey City. For nine days more the pastors and elders will expound on the means of curing by faith and prayer, coughs, cold, bronchitis, pains in the back, lights before the eyes, influenza and all the ills of flesh. Consultation free. No cure no

The faith cure cult differs from Christian Science, mental healing, and even Reformed Christian Science, the Church where you remove the cause of disease and are marvellously cured. The Christian Scientist reads the Key to the Scriptures and becomes miraculously whole. The Reformed Christian Scientist removes the cause, indulges in advanced thought and gets sound as a dollar after a while. That isn't the way the faith healer goes about it. He has faith, then he draws power from "the rest." Pastor Burnett made this lucid explanation yesterday, asking the reporters to print it in full for the enlightenment of a blind world.

blind world.

Until they get to giving testimony these meetings resemble a revival. It takes the testimony of the faithful to show what a wonderful thing the faith cure is. An aged brother with drooping whiskers told how he had been cured of heart disease by faith after the doctors had given him up. He was cured at the same moment of desire for liquor, tobacco, patent medicine and the theatre.

A sister testified that she was born without an ear for music. She prayed, and forth-with her ears developed. That brought another sister to her feet. She had been

another sister to her feet. She had been annoyed by a cornet player; she prayed and he moved away.

Shepherd Burnett explained that faith healing is a sort of wireless telegraphy and has been known to work all the way from Jersey City to New Haven. Then he told his experience. He had been cured by faith of his youthful habit of playing the violin in an orchestra.

He explained that by faith the young people of his Zion have overcome their love for dancing, progressive euchre, bowling and post office. He had it in especially for bowling as a snare of the devil, who, he believes, is still romping up and down the

believes, is still romping up and down the world lurking in just such places as bowling alleys.

Aleys.

A young and beautiful sister seconded these remarks. She went to a faith cure healer to be cured of the disease, and with her ills there rolled away her desire to dance—she'd been a great dancer in her time, she said, with a lingering of fleshly pride. The record cure was trotted out for all

to behold. An aged sister was cleaned of four diseases, all fatal, and insanity.

"I couldn't remember to set the dishes on the table, I was that bad off," she said.

A brother told how the faith cure had healed him of desire for drink. He managed to slip in a splendid free ad for his insurance, business, not accident insurance. surance business, not accident insurance, he assured them. Faith curists do not

he assured them. Faith curists do not need that.

A man who talked as though he had peas in his nostrils told how he had been healed of catarrh.

In conclusion, the elder stated expressly that he didn't knock the doctors, who are doing the best they can. Only if you are short on faith and need a doctor, get a godly one. It will do you twice as much good. He hoped that faith may regenerate "this great and beautiful metropolis of Jersey City."

The elder prayed for a newspaper which printed some account of the testimonies given in the opening session. He hoped, he said, that people would overlook the levity of the article and see only its truths. He officially forgave the reporter who wrote it and offered to treat him free gratis any old time.

BROWNSVILLE FLOODED. James Stillman Owns Three-fourths of the Place-His Losses Heavy.

CARRIZO, Tex., Sept. 16.-The town of Brownsville, near the mouth of the Rio Grande, has been isolated from all railroad and telegraph communication with the and telegraph communication with the outside world for the past three days, on account of the flood which wasled away many miles of poles and wires of the United States Government military line. A courier who arrived at this place to-day says that word was brought overland to Rio Grande City yesterday that all the lower parts of the towns of Brownsville and Matamoros, the latter situated opposite in Mexico, were under water and that many houses had been washed away. been washed away. been washed away.

James Stillman, president of the National
City Bank of New York, owns three-fourths
of Brownsville and his losses will be heavy.
The town has a population of about 8,000.

LITTLE GIRLS GRUESOME FIND. Seeking Golden Rod They Discover Man

With Throat Cut in the Woods. A party of Woodhaven, L. I., children wandering about Sutter s woods for golden rod vesterday afternoon, found sitting against a tree, a light haired, smooth shaven blue eyed man of about 30 with his throat cut. He wore a blue worsted suit, a striped shirt and a black felt hat and had an appearance of refinement.

In front of the body was a small mirror and in the right hand was a bone handled

and in the right hand was a fone handled pen knife covered with blood. The man was 5 feet 10 inches tall. The children fled and told the police. Sergeant Webster of Woodhaven sent men to remove the body to Coroner Rouff's morgue. The man evidently committed

ROBBED ON A PARK BENCH. Who Fell Asleep Lost His Wallet With \$100 in It.

Charles Diehl of 402 Fifth street went to Washington Square last night, sat down negro, sat down on the bench, put his arm around Diehl's neck and relieved him of a gold watch and a pocketbook containing \$100. Then Phillips ran toward Fifth avenue.

Diehl woke up and yelled at the top of his voice. A policeman heard him yelling, saw Phillips scooting and caught the negro in front of the Lafayette-Brevoort Hotel.

News of Plays and Players. Charles Frohman will produce at Wyndham's Theatre, London, in October, a new farcial comedy by Arthur Wing Pinero, the author of "Letty," and in the same month, with Marie Tempest, a new comedy, "The Freedom of Suzanne."

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A new sensational play, "Her Mad Marriage," is to be produced at the American Theatre on Sept. 26.
The cast of Klaw & Erlanger's production of "Humpty Dumpty," the latest Drury Lane spectacle, to be presented at the New Amsterdam Theatre in November, will include Frank Moulan and Maud Lillian Berri.
Oliver Doud Byron has been engaged

Lillian Berri.

Oliver Doud Byron has been engaged by Sam S. Shubert to support Ada Rehan in her coming tour. She is due to-day on the New York.

Alfred E. Aarons signed a contract yesterday with Madge Lessing by which she will star under his management next searon in a new coming opera in the style of

son in a new comic opera in the style of "Dolly Varden," the music to be composed by Julian Edwards. The postponed opening of the New Or-pheum Music Hall is announced for this

Miss Roosevelt at the Theatre. Miss Alice Roosevelt and the Miss Gladys and Beatrice Mills occupied a box at Daly's Theatre last night. B. Altman & Co.

will continue to close their store at TWELVE o'clock Noon on Saturdays, and at FIVE o'clock P. M. on other business days during September.

Pineteenth Street, Sixth Avenue, New York.

FOOLED THE WIRETAPPERS. DRY-SOLE

Kept Them Fooled Till Grand Coup Was Due, Then Called on the Police-Plant in the Manhattan Theatre Building Found in Working Order-One Arrest.

PRITCHARD HAD BEEN TAPPED

BY THEM BEFORE AND WAS ON.

Arthur H. Pritchard, who lives in Astoria and works for a florist at 1028 Sixth avenue, met an interesting stranger on a train coming from New Haven two weeks ago. The stranger said he was Robert Sells, a partner of Barnum & Bailey's circus, and that he would throw many orders for flowers in Pritchard's direction during the coming circus season. He added that he knew a man named Miller in New York who was head operator for the Western Union and who would be glad to give Pritchard tips

Pritchard told Capt. Cottrell last night that he had been victimized by wiretappers three years ago and so fell in with "Sells's" suggestion in order to lead him on and so get even with the whole race of wiretap-

on the races.

After Pritchard had been back two or three days Miller called him up by telephone and made an appointment to meet him. The florist quickly fell in with Miller's schemes for making easy money. He was taken to the top floor of the Manhattan Theatre Building, 1285 Broadway, and there shown what appeared to be a very busy poolroom. The room was a scene of great activity. One telephone instrument, at which an operator sat, clicked constantly. Nine telephones stood upon tables in the middle of the room, and there were several men talking into them. Pritchard

appeared impressed.
The next thing that Miller and his associ-The next thing that Miller and his associates did was to engage a room on the first floor of 68 West Thirty-seventh street, as a sort of meeting place in which to talk over their plans for beating the races. On Wednesday Miller advised Pritchard to play on Princess Rupert. The florist won \$100, but was told that this first winning would have to be given to a certain operator downtown to keep him in good humor. Pritchard gave up the money.

Miller and his associates appointed yesterday as the time for the grand coup. Pritchard was to bet \$6,000 of his own money on Brooklynite, and a friend was to give up \$5,000. As the friend didn't want to have his name known, according to Pritchard, N. Christatos, his employer, was to act as a

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N. Christatos, his employer, was to act as a sort of agent.

When the time came actually to put up the money Miller found that Pritchard didn't seem to show up. He sent him a message asking what was the matter, and the florist answered that he didn't quite understand whether to play Brooklynite for first or second. Miller said he would explain matters and the two met near the corner of Thirty-seventh street and Broadway.

Broadway.

Pritchard had in the meantime notified Pritchard had in the meantime notined the Tenderloin police that he had a swindler to be arrested. Detectives Sullivan and Drennan were sent to see what was the matter, but before they arrived the arrest had been made by the policeman on post. The detectives then went around to 68 West Thirty-seventh street in search of

some of Miller's accomplices, but they had all got away.

Miller told Capt. Cottrell in the Tenderloin station that his real name was Albert Bruner and he admitted being in the rogues' gallery. He said he was 40 years old and lived at the Imperial—where he does not live. He was held as a suspicious Capt. Cottrell had meanwhile visited the

top floor of the Manhattan Theatre building. The telephone and the telegraph instru ment were there, but the room was deserted. The negro porter said that the room had only been equipped about a week and that it had been used for only a few days.

it had been used for only a few days.

None of the apparatus was connected in any way outside the room. The telegraph instrument that clicked so loudly when Pritchard visited the place was merely connected by wire with a push button behind a screen. A man sitting behind the screen could make an answering tick the place was provided in the screen. The telegraph of the screen could make an answering tick the place was a provided to the screen of th by merely pressing a button. The tele-phones connected with batteries under the tables on which they stood. All the ap-paratus was taken to the Tenderloin sta-

paratus was taken to the Tenderloin Station in a wagon.

In the back room on the first floor of 68 West Thirty-seventh steet, Dr. Robert W. Steger has an office. His name appears on the front window of the house. He was questioned by Capt. Cottrell, but seemed to know nothing about the men who occupied the front spartment, although his name appeared on their window. Capt. Cottrell was satisfied that he had no connection with the wire tapping game. nection with the wire tapping game.

According to Capt. Cottrell of the Tender-loin station, Bruner is a well known card sharper who has been barred from several transatlantic liners.

STOLE A DEAD MAN'S HAT.

Thief Took It to His Room, and, After Trying It On, Found That It Didn't Fit. Edwin Frutchey, an Erie Railroad brakeman, was found dead in bed last night at the Pennsylvania House, at Greene and Montgomery streets, Jersey City. The room was filled with gas from an open jet. Assistant Morgue Keeper Edward Weston carried Frutchev's derby hat and clothes downstairs and placed them in the dead wagon. While he was getting the body a man grabbed the dead man's hat and ran away. Policeman Boland found the derby at 48 York street in the room of Alexander Kennedy and arrested him for stealing it. Kennedy said he had tried the hat on, but that it didn't fit.

CONEY'S GREAT REHEARSALS.

Preparing to Celebrate, in Characteristic Style, Her Semi-Centennial. Coney Island had its first rehearsal yesterday for the celebration next Wednesday,

Thursday and Friday of its semi-centennial as a pleasure resort. According to the programme designed by the citizens' committee, there will be preliminary ceremonies on Tuesday evening, when the king and queen of the carnival, elected last Sunday, will arrive at Coney, and have turned over to them by Alderman Lundy and other officials myth Alderman Lundy and other officials mythical keys of the city, as an indication that the period of revelry has begun.

On Monday there will be a rehearsal of the burning of the ship which the committee is to show in distress about half a mile from shore. The passengers are to be rescued by life lines and the use of life boats.

INDEPENDENT PACKING CO. Backed in the East, It Will Enter the Field With a Capital of \$2,500,000.

CHICAGO, Sept. 16.-An independent packing company is to enter the field to compete with the other packers. It has a capital of \$2,500,000 and is backed by Eastern men. It is called the American Agricultural Packing Company and was recently in-corporated under the laws of New York.

corporated under the laws of New York. It is proposed to erect large, modern plants at Chicago and other packing centres. The plant will be ready for business here by May 1, 1905.

The Chicago house will have a capacity of 1,000 cattle, 2,000 hogs and 500 sheep daily. In addition to doing a general packing business in all its branches, it proposes to operate refrigerator cars and distribute its products in all markets. its products in all markets.

TRAINMEN BALLOTING

To Decide Whether or Not to Strike on Pennsylvania Lines West of Pittsburg.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 18 .- Referring to the ballot now being taken by the members of the Brotherhood of Trainmen on the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburg, in connection with the proposition to strike, Grand Master P. H. Morrissey said to-

Grand Master P. H. Morrissey said today:

"The questions involved are simply the
adoption of working rules similar to those
in force on other trunk lines in the territory. Some requests for increase of wages
have also been presented, which, of course,
are debatable. But the men have had no
fair opportunity to discuss these with the
Pennsylvania management."

It is expected that the result of the ballot
will be known by Monday. The lines affected in case of a strike are those included
in what is known as the Northwest system
of the Pennsylvania company, including

of the Pennsylvania company, including the Fort Wayne, Cleveland and Pittsburg and the Pittsburg, Erie and Ashtabula.

Harroun Offer in Settlement.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 16.-In an all day conference with his creditors Harroun offered to pay 40 per cent. on claims within twenty days and a half million of unsecured indebtedness in five years.

A Little Tragedy of War.

From the Southern Churchman. In the Franco-Prussian war a French gunner was commanded by his Colonel to fire on a small house which was believed to be a retreat of the enemy. "Try it with a shell, my man," said the

officer.

With pale face Pierre obeyed. He sighted his piece deliberately and accurately, then fired it.

"Well hit, my man; well hit," said the officer, as he looked through his glass. "That cottage could not have been very solid. It's completely smashed."

Turning around, he noticed a tear stealing down the gunner's cheek. "Why, what's the matter?" he exclaimed, roughly.

"Pardon me, Colonel," was the answer, "it was my own little house—everything I had in the world."

Our Many Ups and Downs. From Harper's Weekly.

The following telephone conversation, re-cently overheard between a woman whose n moment. a moment.

Mrs.——I'm sorry, Mr. ——, but my husband isn't down yet.

E. A. (inquiringly)—len't down yet?

Mrs.——I mean he isn't up yet. I'm letting him sleep late this morning; he was so down last evening over his office troubles that he was about ready to give up. He says he'll be down as soon as he gets up.

Gave His Horse a Vacation. From the Detroit News. "I see you're driving a new horse, doctor," said a Detroiter to a medical friend. "Been

"No," was the reply. "I always give my horse a two weeks vacation in the summer. I send him out to a farm where he just wanders in green fields at his pleasure and rests up for the fall campaign. If a vacation is good for me it's good for my horse. G'lang, Bill." swapping?"

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

A creditors' petition in bankruptcy has been filed against Lucie Caluwaert, wholesale dealer in millinery and ornaments at 550 Broadway, and Judge Holt of the United States District Court has appointed Anna Flynn receiver of the assets, which are said to be about \$10,000.

EYERY HOUSEHOLD AND TRAVELLING TRUNK OUGHT TO CONTAIN A BOTTLE OF

A Simple Remedy for Preventing and Curing by Natural Means All Functional Derangements of the Liver, Temporary Congestion arising from Alcoholic Beverages, Errors in Diet, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Vomiting, Heartburn, Sourness of the Stomach, Constipation, Thirst, Skin Eruptions, Boils, Feverish Cold with High Temperature and Quick Pulse, Influenza, Throat Affections, and

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